DARK SPOTS IN THE SEC.

Attempts of Scientists to Account for Them

Upon Various Theories.

Among the more remarkable appearances

n the sky which short forus photographs have revealed, the presence of dark gaps

or vacant places has been much comment

AN AFRICAN MONKEY.

CONSUL, THE BIG CHIMPANZEE OF MANCHESTER'S GREAT ZOO.

Was a Wonderful Animal-Bought From Natives in Africa for a Small Iron Knife and Three Farthings A Distant Relative of Man.

For a month or more the authorities of Bette Vue gardens, Manchester, have | figh. en mourning over the demise of Con-The latter is referred to in the Manchester press in the most distressingly innocurate manner as a "West African monkey," As an acquaintance litely, but firmly, against an assevera-Consulturn in his grave, were it in his power to do so. In every other respect he press of Manchester has shown a desire to fasten Consul on a pedestal that should be higher than was ever raised in honor of any other chimpanges Faised in honor of any other chimpanace ever seen in this country. The claim is made on his behalf that Sally, late of the London Zoo, was not worthy to wait upon Consul at table. He died under chloroform and other distressing circumstances, on account of some portion of his interior mechanism suddenly refusing to perform functions set apart for it. Consul was a good deal of a chimp; there is no doubt about that, but there is no reason why, in saying a there is no reason why, in saying a good werd for him, an attempt should be made to heren the virtues of Sally, a lady who was without peer, and, moreover, one who never infimated even in the most delicate way that she was in need of one. Consul was purchased from some natives who were discovered on the banks of the Dubrics river before they could escape to the woods.

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The traders offered a small from knife and three highly burnished farthings in exchange for the chimp. The natives closed with the offer, perhaps fearing that if they refused it they would be induced to part with the chimp merely as a remark of respect to a higher form of civilization, and Consul took up his residence with the traders, who, fortunately for him, were accustomed to eat with knives and forks. Notice that the use of knife and fork, or that the use of knife and fork. The traders were not restoadlers, and drank out of glasses. Consul took a drink in order to be in the fashion, and he was go inustely polite that, no matter how wicked the quality of the liquor might be, the expression on his face was always the expression of his more provided by face to determine with the will be always to the feeling.

Consul was a stranger to all on board. The hid was delicited to the consulting the w

cards that may be useful in "filling." However, the chimpannee does not care for poker, so that is no disadvantage. His hands and feet are of the same length. He can stand on the flat of his feet, just like a man, and he can stand on his hands with far more ease than any man who does not do so for a living. His favorite attitude is leaning forward, as if he were about to say. "How do you do?" If the backbone of a man and the backbone of a chimpangee were laid side by aids on the ground, or even on a table, the betting would be even that you could not put your finger on the chimp's. Even the spine of the second neck vertebrae is bifurcated, as in man; still, even this should not be considered sufficient ground for putting a first-class chimp on a level; with a third-chass man. He has one more rib that man, but is just as affable as if had one less.—Black and White.

Japanese Fishermen.

Harper's: Fishing, indeed, is one of the hyakusho's chief sports in summer, and many are the devices that he uses—the hook, the net, the bow and the gun. A favorite scheme is to put into the water during the heat of the day chinal fruit and nobunoki leaves, both astringents. When Jheir Julice has permeated the water the fish jeap about in pain, and then are easily faken. If he is fishing in the large streams he uses an ingenious net, the foamf (the throwing set). It is circular and about twelve

feet in diameter. Heavy leads are fastened to the cord that forms the cir-cumference, and a strong line is attached to the slightly bagging center. He folis it upon his arm and throws it from a boat, or sometimes from the shore, in such a way that it spreads out flat as it strikes the water where the neh gathered enting from the ball of bo-rice and barley that he threw in a ment earlier. As the leads sink they pull down the net like a dome, and when it is pulled up by the line at the center the leads are drawn together by their own weight before they can leave the bottom, thus imprisoning the greedy as

BUILT AN ARR IN JERSEY.

A Queer Looking Building Which Crowned

an Emineuce Many Years Ago. Mount Arrarat is the first of a series of hills which end in the raige upon which Summit, N. J., is likested, says the New York Horald. With tunny twists and turns the tracks of the Mouris & Essex division of the Delaware, Luckswanna & Western of the Delawire, Lackswannia & Western railroad climb up from Grange valley to the top of this ridge at Summit, our to the left, as the train seconds, can be seen on a clear day the fall buildings in lower New York and the glistening water of New York bay. Quite near to the track-about half a mile—is Mount Arrarat, upon about hair a full—is Mount Arrarst, upon which stood for many years a queer-look-ing structure called the "Ark." Many a time the passengers enjoying the beautiful scene spread out before them have had their attention attracted by this odd craft on a hilltop, and questions have been asked of the trainmen as to what it was,

And She Didn't Know That It Wouldn't Do to Say "Women."

Buffalo Express: She was a newcomer to that little middle class clique. Her hashand had married her in a distant city, and there were rumors that she had been an actress or something else disgraceful. The other ladies in the progressive eucher club couldn't understand her ways, and even their husbands were suspicious that she had not always moved in society so exalted. Finally she was caught red-handed, so to speak, and thereafter was ostracised by these snug Phillstines. I tell the story of her downfall as it was told to me by Capitain Adoniram Perkins, whose house is filled with red plush furniture and \$6 etchings, and who is therefore generally respected on — street.

"I always thought she was a low-bred thing, but we had no proof until the last meeting of the club. Then she forgot herself and spoke of the other ladies present as 'women.' My wife wanted to take it up as an insult, but I pitted the poor thing, and so we concluded not to invite her or her husband to any more of our doings. It's rough on her husband, of course, but, maybe, it serves him right for marrying a woman without any refinement. What's that? 'Lady' has been worked to death and 'woman' is better form nowadays! Oh, go on; you're kiddin'. Nobody but a female who goes out washing by the day is a woman. Why, our hired girl would quit if we didn't speak of her as a 'lady.'"

THE KAHUNA IN HAWAII.

THE NATIVES' ANCIENT SUPERSTITION NEVER ERADICATED.

It Can Be Traced For Back Into the Past and Is Largely Responsible for the Gradual Dying Away of the Native Hawallan What He Is and Does,

The late King Kalakaua was supposed o be modern in all his thoughts and ed upon, and one of our most eminent deas. He played an excellent game of scientists has formulated the theory that He played an excellent game of American poker, it is said, and was an adept in the various frivolities affected y the modern Christian who is not hampered by moral sentiment. In short, the king appeared like an American man of the world; one above superstition; yet there is every reason swaped by the ancient superstitions of natives of the island are far from being converted from their ancient rites and superstitions. It is claimed by those who are supposed to know that the deposed queen, in spite of several generations of missionaries, is influenergy of the second second by a mysterious something, which, if known would explain some of the poculiar actions that have characterized the natives.

This dominating power, this myster-

This dominating power, this mysterious intungible something, says a San Prancisco letter, is what is known as the Kahuna, and is as perfect a hoodoo as was ever conceived in the minds of the writers of the modern drama. It is true that pictures do not fail at the mention of the Kahuna, but other things do. Some time ago an American physician was called to attend a native woman, who was finally sent to a hospital. Apparently there was nothing the matter with her, but she was positive she was going to die, as a Kahuna had said so, and die she did. Not long ago a family of ten committed some terrible nuriers on the Island of Lanai. They could give no reason for the deed except that they had been commanded to do it by one of their number who was an Kahuna; and as a result they killed two children and a man with clubs and burned another to death. It is said on good authority that a large per cent of the muriers in these islands can be traced to this singular be-

The Kahuna can be traced far back The Kahuna can be traced far back into the past of these people, who, up to 1819, were steeped in idolatry, worshiping strange gods and idols. About this time there was a singular revolt, the people repudiating their ancient religion, so that when the original missionaries visited the island they found a nation without a religion. The natives have accepted the Christian religion to a considerable extent, but, as suggested, they are still strangely influenced by have accepted the Christian religion to a considerable extent, but, as suggested, they are still strained inducated by the superstition of their ancestors and the Kahuna, and the Kahuna is still a factor in the evolution of the people, especially in politics and social life. If you ask a mative what the Kahuna means he will profess ignorance, while the stone he wears in his pocket or hung about his neck has been supplied by a Kahuna and is guaranteed to protect him from harm. This mysterious personne, in short, can be compared to the medicine man among the American Indians. He professes to drive out demons and evil spirits by his own enchantments, and while the government has for years on the surface raised its hand against these operations it is suspected that the king was not averse to having the good will of the Kahuna who, he and the majority of the natives believed, could kill a victim at will, and so potent is this belief that it may be said to be true.

A gentleman who has made a study of the question says much of the dropping of the native population from 180,000 in

cerned, like the Siamese twins. The Kahuna has the power to catch the other spirif, and for a large sum he will undertake it. The operation is long and very mysterious and progresses by slow steps, but finally the victim is informed that his spirit has been captured and destroyed and, being unable to live without it, for so he has been trained, the man gradually succumbs and the murder is complete.

There are other methods employed by the Kahuna equally as effective, but those referred to are the ones most in vogue and about which the average islander will profess the greatest ignor-

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Snow and Ice in Italy.

London Dally News: Italy, to most people, suggests nothing but sunny skies and groves of perennial fruit and flowers, but at the present time winter is biting its northern shores with as sharp a tooth as in England. The following from a correspondent in Genoa, is evidence: "Skating," he says, "has been going on most of tast week at Alexandria, about two hours from here, in connection with a club which has a flooded field, and there is also ice an hour away, at Busalin. To-day we have a heavy fall of snow. It began at breakfast time, and the children were wild with excitement. Having lived long in Morocco, it was the first snow they in Morocco, it was the first snow they had ever seen fall, and even the 2-year-old D— was in raptures. I fully expect to find a snow man in the garden when I get home." English children can scarcely realize the entrancing experience of seeing a snowstorm for the first.

time, but it is one which our Austra-lian cousins never forget. At Florence, on the morning of the tin inst. the river Arno was thickly frozen ever. The tem-perature was a deg. below zero centi-grado.

The Male Had Saved His Life but He Had to Sacrifice It to Keep Himself Alive The Sacrifice Was Unavailing However.

For several years succeeding the late ivil war a reign of terror prevailed hroughout Southern California. Nu-nerous bands of murderers and horse bleves, each acting independently of ed upon, and one of our most eminent scientists has formulated the theory that the gaps are not real, but result from the presence of light absorbing bodies in space which hide from us the background of stars and subulosities. There seem as many difficulties in accepting this view as the observational properties of star streams connected by nebulous bands. That opaque bodies exist in the universe we know, and that such observation is that these exist in large numbers and of marmous dimensions, especially in the comparatively small space which separates the solar system from the fixed stars. The total bulk of these supposed dark bodies would be entormous, since they can existly degrees of the solar training along the unit served by the supposed bearer than the nearest fixed star, and some extend over several degrees of the sky. One degree at the distance of Alpha Centaurt means 40,000,000 miles at least, while three degrees mean more than 1,000,000,000. merous bands of murderers and horse thieves, each acting independently of the other, overawed the civil authorities and made it necessary for the law-abiding citizens to form committees of valiance. The operations of these bands extended from the Mexican frontier line to Central California. Men of husiness and men who were considered to be resisciable were connected with these bands, either as active participants or receivers of plunder. So well were these bands organized that any movement on the part of officers toward their capture was immediately conveyed to them. They were notified or every-

some supersally in the comparatively small space which separates the solar system it has supposed that booles would be crored, than the maneset flased star, and the comparatively started that any means there they can exactly be supposed the comparative than the maneset flased star, and started than the same that the whole of the that have to decide for one degree we believe their extent is about seventy times the diameter of the orbit of Nepture. If they extend three degrees they are more than 29 times that crist. But many must be several times the distance of Alpha Centarri the same that crist. But many must be several times the distance of Alpha Centarri, and an average of these times cannot be considered as excessive which result in a length color than the span of Nepture's crist, and an average of these times cannot be considered as excessive which result in a length color than the span of Nepture's crist, and an excessive which result in a length color than the span of the carts have desired the same that color them to be probably as numerous everywhere in space, and of invisible bodies, for we cannot assume that the whole of the dark hodies of the turiverse are collected in the solar neighborhood, but must admit them to be probably as numerous everywhere in space, and therefore more numerous, as well as infinitely water, than the stars and nebulas. The total of the number and size required to acount for the dark many twisted as a numerous everywhere in space, and therefore more numerous, as well as infinitely water, than the stars and nebulas. The total of the number and size required to acount for the dark many twisted and the color of the color of the sale many twisted and the color of the sale many twisted the color of the sale many twisted the sale of the color of the sale of the color of the sale of the color of the upon photographs is beyond computation; but as the built of single once must exceed the contents of a globe the size of the earth's orbit 2,000,000 times, it must consist of matter millions of times less dense than anything we know, and still millions of times greater in mass than the sun. The stapes of these supposed holles increase the difficulty. That tree-like forms should be spread over much of the sky would be more assemblying than anything we have yet discovered, but the process by which they have reached this shape is more assumability. They are supposed to be outrushes or uprushes of opaque gas into a resisting medium. But we are not told from what the outrush can take place, nor

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The remarkable experience of the lady whose portrait is published in the head of this article should prove of interest to all women and especially so to those expecting to become mothers. The portrait is that of Mrs. Fred Hunt, of Glenville. N.y., who says: "I read about Dr. Fierces Seavoite Prescription leeing so good for a woman with child, so I got two bottles last September, and December 13th I had a twelve pound baby girl. When I was confined I was not sick in any very. I did not suffer any pain, and when the child was born I walked into another room and went to bed. It was very cold but I did not take any cold, and never had any after fain or any cold, and never had any after fain or any eighth living child and the largest of them all. I suffered everything that flesh could suffer with the other babies. I always had a doctor and then he could not help me very much, but this time my mother and my husband were alone with me. My baby was only seven days old when I got up and dressed and left my room and stayed up all day."

Mrs. Hunt's experience, remarkable as it

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Mrs. Alex. Robertson of Half Rock, Mer. cet Co., Mo., writes "For twenty years, I suffered with would disease and most of the time I was in conestant pain which rendered life a great burden. I had eight doctors Main Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

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camp where lay my dead comrades, and then I looked in the opposite direction, and to my almost unspeakable loy there was my mule not thirty yards distant, saddled and brilled, that as he was when we were attacked. My first thought was could I go that far, and my next was that my bloody and frightful looking condition might scare the amount. Hut no time was to be lost, and so I called the mule by name, in a voice just loud enough to be heard that distance. To my utter surprise and loy the animal, with a low bray of seeming delight, came directly up and stood between the mounting, and the faithful and intelligent animal, without any ursing or guilded love is Hades. Yes, it is even when I was not strong enough to be heard that distance. To my utter surprise and loy in the animal, with a low bray of seeming delight, came directly up and stood between the colling and intelligent animal without any ursing or guilded love is Hades. Yes, it is even wite, it is Hobbotan, by guilty of intratinuel, even though it was to be lost, and so I called the mule and stood between the colling and the many local that he will be a strong effort deeper and the strength of the saddle and intelligent animal without any ursing or guilty of large time. The same directly and the faithful and intelligent animal without any ursing or guilty of the saddle and the metal and local two hours. I awoke and the faithful little animal grain the luxuriant grass that abounded in profusion. It was now nearly sinset, and I becam to think what I should do. I stripped the saddle and brille from the mule and then tited her with a pleket rope which had been colled on the back to grass at the and the titled her with a pleket rope which had been colled on the back rope which had been colled on the back.

ago!"
As San Francisco is 500 miles from
Les Angeles, and, as the places were
not connected by telegraph, I naturally
looked upon this reply with amazement. looked upon this reply with amazement, but, seeing that he was serious unto sadness, I asked him in an apparently frank manner how he knew it.

He replied: "Something has just told me so and I am going to San Francisco on the next steamer."

In a few days a steamer arrived from San Francisco bringing a letter from a friend containing the said news of Sam's denth giving the exact hour, which cor-

death, giving the exact hour, which cor-responded to the time when the captain gaid something told him.

A Thrilling Confab Behind the Plate Glass

Willie had just ordered a cocktail and sat eyeing it sadly. Joey hall demanded a b. and s., and the new steward (who had been four years chief batter-mixer in a Howery dairy kitchen before he got this job) had sent up buckwheat cakes and syrup instead of brandy and soda, and for a few minutes the giassware within Joey's reach was sacrificed to his wrath and four bricks were blown out of the solid wall by the simon of fresh-imported Cockney cuss words. Then the blundering steward was beheaded, and the learned librarian was called down to interpret the mystic symbols to the coal stoker, who in turn sent Joey his brandy and soda so quick by that he was promoted to the office of second vice president on a salary of \$1,000 monthly assessment. Calmed at last, Willie and his comrade touched glasses and thanked God they were living.

"Willie, old chapple," began the latter at length, smoothing his bang with the fondness with which we pat the back of a kicking mule, "why are you so sad? Tell me; do."

"Because life is all a demnition boah; that's why."

"Since when? Since your credit gave out?"

"No; since Ethel de Million and I were in a Bowery dairy kitchen before he got

even the warmth of the hand may expaind a red 12 inches long so that the amount of expansion can be measured. It has thus become important in fine measurement to be eareful that the temperature of the plese to be measured or gauged should have the same temperature as that of the instrument by which the size is determined. Its first handling a rod of the length named, and measuring it, particularly if the rod be of brass or copper, and then, after allowing the rod to cool, handling the gauge until the latter expands it is found that a discrepancy of from 0.07 inch to 0.01 inch may be sometimes made apparent, due onlinely to differences of temperature.

SOME WINTRY REFLECTIONS.

The Democrat who bet this year beore election is now a wiser and not a setting man.

A "hair cloth skirt with an organ pipe ack" was advertised this week in all he Boston papers. Heaven help us! It may be a consoling thought to some that it requires a good deal of ability even to play second fiddel in the orches-

In saying that "charity begins at home," the proverb isn't altogether lit-eral. To tell the exact truth, it should say, "Charity should begin at home."